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Mr. James D. Ward serves as the Executive Director of the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center, Charleston – an organization providing Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) solutions to naval, joint, and federal customers.

A native of Hampton, VA, Mr. Ward holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and a Master of Business Administration degree from the College of William and Mary. He is a graduate of the Federal Executive Institute and completed the Senior Fellows Program of the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

Mr. Ward has been recognized for his proactive leadership and management and has been particularly active in the transformation of organizations and cultures to meet Navy demands for greater effectiveness and economy. In April 2001 he was presented the Navy Superior Civilian Service Award for his leadership in the integration of major elements of the Navy's telecommunications infrastructure into the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center. He was selected by the Federal Executive Association of the Greater Charleston Area for its Outstanding Manager and Executive Award in 2000. Mr. Ward's efforts to advance a knowledge-based economy have also been recognized by the Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce; he was presented the Man of the Year award for the public sector at the ThinkTEC Innovation Summit in May 2007.

Mr. Ward relocated to the Charleston area in 1996, during consolidation of the Navy's four East Coast Electronics Engineering Centers. In 1998 he was selected to head the consolidated organization's Command and Control Systems Department. In 2003 he became the Executive Director of SPAWAR Systems Center, Charleston where he is responsible for setting command-wide strategic goals, developing and implementing policies and procedures, and managing all engineering and business operations.